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## **DETAILED ACTION**

### ***Response to Arguments***

Applicant's arguments filed 4/21/08 have been fully considered but they are not persuasive. Applicant argues on page 5 that "...merely improving a SNR fails to suggest 'inspecting a quality of an RF of data recorded' because other attributes may contribute to a quality of an RF other than SNR". The examiner maintains this rejection because while other attributes may contribute to the quality of an RF it is not necessary. Improving SNR ratio is very well known in the art and to use this to inspect the quality of the signal would have been easily within the skill of one of ordinary skill in the art.

Applicant argues on page 5 that Takahashi and Tomita do not teach recording data only in the land tracks or groove tracks. The examiner maintains this rejection because the examiner never said Takahashi and Tomita teach this, it is stated on Page 4 of the Final Office Action that the applicant's admitted prior art teaches this.

### ***Conclusion***

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to JOSEPH HALEY whose telephone number is (571)272-0574. The examiner can normally be reached on M-F 8:30am-5pm.

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